

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

NYRA Labor Day Regatta Saturday's PHRF Racing Neuse Yacht Racing Association

MANAGEMENT AND RULES

The NYRA Labor Day Regatta shall be conducted and managed by NYRA. It shall be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the prescriptions of US Sailing, except as altered by these sailing instructions. If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty'

ELIGIBILITY

Entries shall be accepted from owners who possess a **CURRENTLY VALID PHRF RATING** from an acceptable NC State rating organization. Upon request of the Principal Race Officer (PRO), the owner or skipper shall provide a signed, dated copy of the yacht's rating certificate as proof of currency and validity.

NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

All notices to competitors shall be posted on the official bulletin board at BSC.

CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Changes to sailing instructions, if any, shall be posted on the official bulletin board. Verbal changes may be made on the water. They will be communicated by radio on channel 67

RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

The R/C will monitor and attempt to broadcast on **channel 67** to keep the competitors informed of general race information, class starting sequence, start count downs, premature starters, etc.

CLASSES

Anticipated fleets are Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker, Cruising and Multihull. Each fleet may be split into classes at the discretion of the PRO. The PHRF class splits will be determined by the PRO in his/her discretion and will be based upon entries received.

Before the Warning Signal for the first starting group, all yachts must sail past the Race Committee boat and identify themselves to Race Committee personnel by hailing the yacht's name, sail number and class or division entered.

SCHEDULE

The scheduled time for the **warning signal** for the first class will be at **12:00 noon**. One or more races may be run.

THE COURSE.

Race courses will be located on the Neuse River. The course will be displayed at or before the Class warning flag on the Starboard side of the Committee Boat. Marks displayed in green are to be left to Starboard, those in red to port.

A displayed number indicates the corresponding government mark

Inflatable marks for the classes will be large (~ five foot) yellow or orange triangles or cylinders.

When numbers "19 or "2" are used an inflatable offset mark near the corresponding government mark should be rounded, not the Government mark

"18" indicates an inflatable set approximately midway between "17" and "19"

"R/C" indicates the race committee (Start / Finish line).

"W" indicates a separately set windward mark. If "W" is used the approximate compass course to the windward mark will be announced on channel 67

"M" indicates the mark at the pin end of the Start/Finish line

Other Government Marks may be used

"L" indicates a separately set leeward mark downwind from the weather mark boat. It may be upwind or downwind from the Signal boat.

"G" indicates a Gybe or wing mark set approximately midway between the windward and leeward mark and offset by approximately half of the distance between windward and leeward marks.

STARTING SIGNALS

Races will be started according to Rule 26 with class flag as follows:

Spinnaker	Red,
Non-Spinnaker	Green
Cruising	Yellow
Multihull	Purple

AFTER THE STARTING SEQUENCE HAS BEGUN, ALL YACHTS IN CLASSES WHO'S WARNING SIGNAL HAS NOT BEEN GIVEN SHALL REMAIN CLEAR OF THE STARTING AREA. YACHTS THAT FAIL TO KEEP CLEAR ARE SUBJECT TO DISQUALIFICATION.

ADDITIONAL RACING

Flag "A" displayed, with no sound, as boats are finishing means 'No more racing today'

TIME LIMIT

The time limit for the first boat in each class race shall be **two hours**. If a boat finishes within the time limit, any boat in that class that does not finish within **30 minutes** of the first boat shall be scored Time Limit Expired (**TLE**) and scored two points more than the last boat to finish within the time limit. This changes A 4.2 and A 11.

SCORING

Time on Time handicapping will be used to score each race. Each vessel's elapsed time will be multiplied by a correction factor to determine their corrected time. The correction factor will be $650/(550+PHRF \text{ handicap})$. The boat with the lowest corrected time in each class will be the winner. There will be no race scores discarded in determining the day's winners.

SAIL NUMBERS

The Race Committee reserves the right not to score any boat they cannot identify by their sail numbers.

AWARDS

Awards will be presented at the social following the race at the Shore Party on the veranda of the New Bern Convention Center.

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the series entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. Each competitor is responsible for any and all liability claims which may result from their participation and shall be adequately self insured or covered by third party insurance. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after each day's racing.